



## GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PRESS RELEASE

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### GEORGIA DOT ANNOUNCES A TRAFFIC SHIFT AND LANE CLOSURES FOR I-85

*COWETA COUNTY, GA.* - Contractors for the Georgia Department of Transportation are performing major reconstruction of Interstate 85 at different locations between mile marker 35 (near Exit 35/SR 14/US 29) and mile marker 42 (near Exit 41; SR 14/US 27 Alt). To ensure motorists and contractor safety, this work will warrant lane closures and traffic shifts along this section of I-85, which could cause delays.

Georgia DOT reports the following construction activities are tentatively planned for the period of Monday, November 16 through Thursday, November 19:

- **INTERSTATE 85 NORTHBOUND:** Various lane closures will be in place between mile markers 35 and 42 during daytime hours, Wednesday, November 18 through Thursday, November 19.
- **INTERSTATE 85 SOUTHBOUND:** A single lane closure will be in place between mile markers 48 and 46 during daytime hours, Tuesday, November 17.
- **TRAFFIC SHIFT:** **Southbound** traffic between mile markers 48 – 46 will be shifted right to the newly paved lanes on Monday, November 16. **Northbound** traffic between mile markers 33 – 46 will be shifted to the right, onto newly paved lanes, Tuesday, November 17. Depending on weather, Wednesday, November 18 will be utilized in order for the contractor to perform either of the traffic shifts.

Details will be provided by message boards throughout the corridor.

The Georgia DOT notes that the above construction schedules are proposed activities planned by the contractors and may change due to weather conditions or other factors.

As in any work zone, motorists are reminded to pay special attention to traffic control devices, signs and posted speed limits to ensure safe passage through the work zone.

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511 for updated information about this or any other construction project on interstates and state routes. Georgia 511 is a free phone service that provides real-time traffic and travel information statewide, such as traffic conditions, incidents, lane closures, and delays due to inclement weather. Callers also can

transfer to operators to request assistance or report incidents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information is available at [www.511ga.org](http://www.511ga.org).

The Georgia Department of Transportation is committed to providing a safe, seamless and sustainable transportation system that supports Georgia's economy and is sensitive to both its citizens and its environment. Additional transportation revenues are imperative to grow and sustain Georgia's economic vitality and quality of life through the 21st Century. Georgia is the 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest-growing state in the nation, yet 49<sup>th</sup> in per capita spending on transportation. For general information on the Georgia DOT, please visit our Web site ([www.dot.ga.gov](http://www.dot.ga.gov)).

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